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DIVIDED SENATE ACQUITS TRUMP

President says he will speak today, declares victory over 'the Impeachment Hoax.'

Democratic lead prosecutor Adam Schiff predicts more revelations will be coming.

With President Donald Trump cleared after months of impeachment proceedings, his campaign tweeted videos, statements and a cartoon dance saying that he was "vindicated." ALEX BRANDON / ASSOCIATED PRESS

"... we are going to have to remain eternally vigilant." said Rep. Adam Schiff, D-Calif. ERIN SCHAFF / THE NEW YORK TIMES

THE SENATE'S DECISION

Romney is only Republican to break from party lines

By Lisa Mascaro and Mary Clare Jalonick
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — President Donald Trump was cleared of impeachment charges Wednesday in the U.S. Senate, bringing to a close only the third presidential trial in American history.

With Chief Justice John Roberts presiding, senators sworn to do "impartial justice" stood at their desks to state their votes for the roll call – "guilty" or "not guilty" – in a swift tally almost exclusively along party lines. Visitors, including the president's allies, watched from the crowded gallery. Roberts read the declaration that Trump "be, and is hereby, acquitted of the charges."

The outcome Wednesday followed months of remarkable

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To ensure our impeachment coverage continues to be balanced, we used the same format on the front page and on A7 for the Senate vote as we did the House vote on Dec. 18.

THE DEMOCRATS' REACTION

All 47 Democrats vote to find president guilty

From wire reports

WASHINGTON — In closing arguments Wednesday for the impeachment trial, the lead prosecutor Rep. Adam Schiff, D-Calif., appealed to senators' sense of decency, that "right matters" and "truth matters" and that President Trump "is not who you are."

"The president's basic lack of character, his willingness to cheat in the election – he's not going to stop," Schiff said Wednesday, predicting more revelations would become public. "It's not going to change, which means that we are going to have to remain eternally vigilant."

On the first article of impeachment, abuse of power, the vote was 52-48 favoring acquittal. The second, obstruction

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ONLY IN THE AJC VAPING

Deaths fuel Ga. debate over vaping safety vs. cigarettes

By Ty Tagami
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David Higginbotham says vaping may have saved his life, but Amy Sedgwick says it nearly ended her teenage son's.

The two Atlantans represent the national debate swirling around the nicotine-delivery devices, which have surged in popularity, even among high school and middle school students.

Georgia lawmakers are engaging in that debate. They are hearing from people such as Higginbotham, who say vaping helped them drop cigarettes, which are known killers. They've also heard stories by opponents such as Sedgwick, a nurse backed by doctors who've seen an alarming uptick in teens suffering from severe illness after vaping. They say too little is known about the long-term consequences of the prod-

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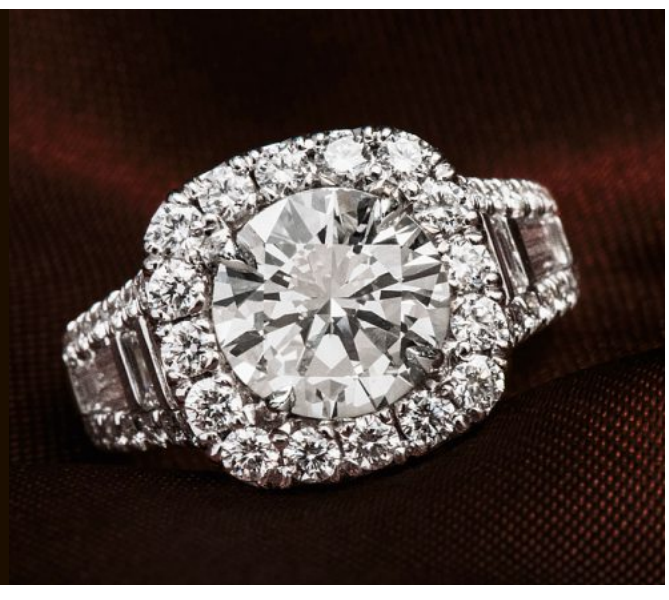
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